

SUFFOLK-NANSEMOND HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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The March Meeting of the Suffolk-Nansemond Historical Society will be held Tuesday March 26, 1968 at 8:00 P. M. in the Municipal Court Room of the Municipal Building. There will be a guest speaker. Please plan to attend.

Dues Due The Secretary cannot overlook so excellent an opportunity to remind the few forgetful history-minded citizens that dues are actually due. Why not mail your check now while you are thinking about it?

Old Homes There will be a meeting of the Old Homes and Sites Committee Tuesday, April 2, 1968 at 7:30 P. M. at the Chamber of Commerce. Any member interested in helping with the forth-coming booklet is urged to attend.

Civil War The Civil War Committee will have a meeting Wednesday, April 3, 1968 at 7:30 P. M. in the Chamber of Commerce. Members interested are invited to attend.

The Indian Civilization Committee is happy to report that their first trial dig in search of evidence of an Indian village or house site was a success. First of all, without the co-operation of many people, this could not have been done. To begin with, we want to thank the owner of the property, Mr. Pretlow Brinkley and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Rawles, tenants on the property. On Saturday, March 9, 1968, members of the Historical Society met at Suffolk High School, leaving at approximately 10:00 A. M. They arrived at the site about 10:30 and immediately started digging and sifting. The first square produced small pieces of clay pottery (burned). In the second square a post mold was found. It measured approximately $4\frac{1}{2}$ inches in diameter. Three squares were opened and carefully screened down to 15 inches. A crude scraper was found at the bottom of the post mold. A sample of the black earth from the post mold was kept in the event we find it advisable to have it tested. It is interesting to note that on such short notice there were so many people present for the dig.

New Book Coasting Captain. Edited by Robert H. Burgess. (Newport News, Virginia: The Mariner's Museum, 461 pp., \$8.50.) This is the journal of Capt. Leonard S. Tawes who began his career at 15 in 1868 as a cook on a Chesapeake Bay oyster dredging puny. He served on

a Chesapeake Bay oyster dredging puny. He served on Atlantic coastwise sailing craft until 1922.

Believe It or Not A certain land-owner offered a tailor four acres of land anywhere he might choose north of Washington Street and east of Main for a suit of clothes made from Confederate blankets.

The Spring meeting of the Virginia History Federation will be held Saturday April 6, 1968 in the auditorium of George Mason College, Fairfax, Virginia. Workshops are planned on several topics, including membership and finances, historical archaeology, programs, publicity, and publications.

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